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Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 87 to 106): *item 87* (A/66/117, A/66/89, A/66/89/Corr.1, A/66/89/Corr.2 and A/66/89/Corr.3); *item 88*; *item 89*; *item 90*; *item 91*; *item 92*; *item 93* (A/66/359 and A/66/152); *item 94* (A/66/153 (Part I) and A/66/153/Add.1); *item 95*; *item 96*; *item 97*; *item 98* (A/66/176, A/66/176/Add.1, A/65/920, A/66/166, A/66/166/Add.1, A/66/127, A/66/127/Add.1, A/66/154, A/66/154/Add.1, A/66/112, A/66/112/Add.1, A/66/177, A/66/168, A/66/97, A/66/97/Add.1, A/66/111, A/66/111/Add.1, A/66/132, A/66/132/Add.1, A/66/171, A/66/115 and A/66/157); *item 99* (A/66/159, A/66/140, A/66/113, A/66/72-S/2011/225 and A/66/163); *item 100* (A/66/125, A/66/123, A/66/123/Corr.1 and A/66/42); *item 101* (A/66/153 (Part II)); *item 102*; *item 103* (A/66/122 and A/66/122/Add.1); *item 104* (A/66/165 and A/66/165/Add.1); *item 105*; and *item 106*

[Other document: A/C.1/66/1]

[The general debate will continue until Tuesday, 11 October 2011. Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee and guidance provided by the Bureau, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers, prepared on the basis of the time limits, is now closed. Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Timur Alasaniya, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Ms. Francine Leong (e-mail leong@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; room IN-606A; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).]

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Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 4th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

1. Agenda items 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60

2. Requests for hearings (A/C.4/66/7)

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Committee are kindly requested to contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room IN-615A). Delegations are reminded that the time limits of *10 minutes* for national statements, and *15 minutes* for statements on behalf of groups should be observed. Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Ms. Emer Herity, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C or NL-1033D; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and Permanent Observers at <https://4thcommittee.unlb.org>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org). Member State representatives wishing to be included on the mailing list of the Committee are requested to send an e-mail, indicating name, delegation and e-mail address, to Ms. Emena Efeotor (e-mail efeotor@un.org).]

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

General debate (*resumed*)

Israel

Germany

Thailand

Kazakhstan

Viet Nam

Algeria

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Myanmar

South Africa

Morocco

Ghana

Guinea

Mozambique

Zambia

Ecuador

Afghanistan

Benin

El Salvador

3–6 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

General debate (*continued*)

San Marino

Georgia

Sri Lanka

Guyana

Sierra Leone

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Timor-Leste

Armenia

Colombia

Palestine

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

International Labour Organization

World Meteorological Organization

International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

[The lists of speakers for the debates on individual agenda items of the Committee are open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the lists are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)). Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *7 minutes* for individual Member States, and *10 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, and the time limits of *5 minutes* for individual Member States and *7 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during debates on individual agenda items should be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Delegations wishing to have the texts of their statements circulated should provide 250 copies of the same to the Conference Officers. Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Second Committee, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org; room IN-0620B; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7855; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Background information and documentation relating to the work of the Committee are available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/second/index.shtml>. For registration and other inquiries regarding the Second Committee QuickPlace, kindly send an e-mail to 2ndcommittee@un.org.]

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice (A/66/131, E/2011/30, A/66/303, A/66/91, A/66/92, A/C.3/66/L.2, A/C.3/66/L.3, A/C.3/66/L.4 and A/C.3/66/L.5) . . . . . [107]

2. International drug control (A/66/130) . . . . . [108]

Introductory statement by the Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, followed by question time

General discussion

3–6 p.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice (A/66/131, E/2011/30, A/66/303, A/66/91, A/66/92, A/C.3/66/L.2, A/C.3/66/L.3, A/C.3/66/L.4 and A/C.3/66/L.5) . . . . . [107]

2. International drug control (A/66/130) . . . . . [108]

Continuation of general discussion

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Lorna Fidler (e-mail fidler@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Delegations are reminded that the time limits of *7 minutes* for individual Member States, and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, should be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Delegations wishing to have the texts of their statements circulated should provide 250 copies of the same to the Conference Officers. Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; room NL-1033 or IN-603G)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Third Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7855; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the sixty-sixth session, is available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/third/index.shtml>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).]

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

1. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [138]

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.2

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/66/5/Add.5, A/66/139, A/66/377, A/66/73 and A/66/73/Add.1) . . . . . [131]

3. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 (A/66/352 and A/66/376) [134]

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1] -1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 138 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/66/11 and A/66/69))

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 5th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

The rule of law at the national and international levels (A/66/133) . . . . . [83]

[The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan, e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5378; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) if they wish to be inscribed on the list. Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail kosalvitr@un.org; room M-13068A, 380 Madison Avenue; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

Special political missions

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold the election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council, under sub-item (a) of item 113 of the agenda, on Friday, 21 October 2011, at 10 a.m. Other changes in the schedule of plenary meetings are reflected in the note by the President of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3). Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be reflected in revised versions of this document and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>, and will also be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

Wednesday, 5 October 2011

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects" (under agenda item 98 (t)) (convened by the delegation of Japan)

2.30–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Open ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Transparency in armaments" (under agenda item 98 (g)) (convened by the delegation of the Netherlands)

4–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Third Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Women and political participation" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

United States Mission

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . 2nd Floor Conference Room

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperatives in social development" (under agenda item 27 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 5 October 2011

Briefing by the Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific to Member States of the Commission on the theme "Shared prosperity, equity and sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific" (chaired by the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka)

9.30–11 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the expert level)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties (geographical representation and gender balance; and Advisory Committee on Nominations)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Southern African Development Community (SADC) (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Group of 77 (Second Committee — Macroeconomic issues)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Other activities

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Wednesday, 5 October 2011

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mails falls@un.org or info@unitarny.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Wednesday, 5 October 2011

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Thursday, 6 October 2011, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 253rd meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Friday, 7 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room M-13052; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, par. 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session for 2011

The Economic and Social Council will hold its resumed substantive session on Thursday, 6 October 2011, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to elect a member of the Bureau, to hold elections to fill vacancies in the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (E/2011/9/Add.11) and to fill outstanding vacancies in the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, the Commission on Sustainable Development, the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting, and the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat). The list of candidates for the elections is available on Candiweb, at the following address: <www.un.int/wcm/content/site/portal/home/pid/11312>. The Council will also consider outstanding issues deferred from its 2011 substantive session.

Briefing

The Economic and Social Council will hold a briefing on Friday, 7 October 2011, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on the preparations for the 2012 Development Cooperation Forum High-level Symposium on "Working together to increase the development impact of aid", which will be held in Luxembourg

(18–19 October 2011). The briefing will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Lazarous Kapambwe (Zambia), and speakers include the Permanent Representative of Luxembourg, H.E. Ms. Sylvie Lucas, and the Under-Secretary-General of Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang.

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Philippe Donckel, Permanent Mission of Luxembourg (e-mail philippe.donckel@mae.etat.lu); or Ms. Doris Schmitz-Meiners; Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail schmitz-meiners@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4946).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

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First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction" (under agenda item 98 (p)) (convened by the delegation of Poland)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Objective information on military matters including transparency of military expenditure" (under agenda item 87 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Romania)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB); and

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus" (under agenda item 98 (f)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and France)

Friday, 7 October 2010, from 1 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects" (under agenda item 98 (t)) (convened by the delegation of Japan)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Fissile material cut-off treaty" (under agenda item 98 (u)) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A (NLB).

Open ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Transparency in armaments" (under agenda item 98 (g)) (convened by the delegation of the Netherlands)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A (NLB).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee)

Informal presentation of the Secretary-General's report (A/66/292) on assistance in mine action and presentation of the related draft resolution (under agenda item 49) (convened by the delegation of Poland, on behalf of the European Union)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Third Committee

Meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Persons with disabilities" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of the Philippines and the United Republic of Tanzania)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Portugal, the Republic of Moldova and Senegal)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing" (under agenda item 27 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Brazil, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of the United Nations system on child protection" (under agenda item 65 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Thailand)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegations of Indonesia and the Philippines)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB);

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB); and

Tuesday, 18 October 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

Thursday, 12 October 2011, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (on the draft resolution on the Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean) (under agenda item 99 (c)) (First Committee)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Informal exchanges of views with regional groups (on First Committee matters) (organized by the United States Mission)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the African Group;

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NBL): with the Asia-Pacific Group;

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Eastern European Group;

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Latin American and Caribbean Group; and

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Western European and Other States Group.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Western European and Other States Group: Open-ended Working Group on a possible WEOG rotation scheme for the Security Council (organized by the Permanent Missions of the Netherlands and San Marino)

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Launch of the MDG Report 2011, entitled "Assessing progress in Africa toward the Millennium Development Goals" (co-organized by the Economic Commission for Africa, the African Union, the African Development Bank and the United Nations Development Programme)

Thursday, 6 October 2011, from 5 to 6 p.m., at the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union (305 East 47th Street, 5th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Yinka Adeyemi, Economic Commission for Africa (tel. 1 (646) 359-2736).]

High-level panel discussion on "NEPAD and the MDGs: Progress, challenges and the way forward" (on the occasion of the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the New Partnership for Africa's Development) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union and the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA))

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, OSAA (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576; or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/africa/osaa/whatsnew.html>.]

Briefing on the 2012 Seoul Nuclear Security Summit (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the United States Mission)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Kap-soo Rim, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail ksrim96@mofat.go.kr; tel. 1 (212) 439-4090).]

Briefing on two reports of the Secretary-General, entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: ninth consolidated progress report on implementation and international support" (A/66/202), and "Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (A/66/214–S/2011/476); and two presentations on "Progress and forward-looking approaches in NEPAD implementation" and "Progress in implementation of the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM)" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. David Mehdi Hamam, OSAA (e-mail hamamm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2645; or Ms. Mieko Ikegame, OSAA (e-mail ikegame@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1937).]

Panel discussion on "Women's access to justice" (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Pierron, UN-Women (e-mail nicole.pierron@unwomen.org).]

High-level round table on "The role of regional organizations in the protection of children from violence (co-organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children, the League of Arab States, the South Asia Initiative to End Violence Against Children, the Council of Europe, the Permanent Commission of the Niñ@Sur Initiative of MERCOSUR and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Falaq Dulloo, Office of the Special Representative (e-mail fdulloo@unicef.org; tel. 1 (212) 824-6748).]

Briefing on "The global financial crisis and strategies to avoid unsustainable debt" (organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Januel Nalupta, UNCTAD (e-mail nalupta@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9114).]

Women's International Forum: Meeting on "The Arab awakening: Promise and challenges" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

UNITAR workshop on effective negotiation in multilateral conferences

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street); and

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street).

[Open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail helene.gandois@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).]

Special presentation on "Challenges and opportunities for the sustainability of outer space" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and Space Security Index)

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roxane Milot, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail roxane.milot@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1124).]

UNITAR workshops series on the reform of the United Nations

United Nations Reform I: Institutional adaptation of United Nations governing bodies (Security Council, General Assembly, Human Rights Council)

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

United Nations Reform II: Management reform

Friday, 21 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

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Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2011, on the theme "From poverty to sustainability: People at the centre of inclusive development" (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the International Movement ATD Fourth World and the NGO Subcommittee for the Eradication of Poverty, with the support of the Permanent Missions of France and Burkina Faso)

Monday, 17 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Simone Wilson, DESA (e-mail wilsons@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9113); or Ms. Leena Kemppainen (e-mail kemppainen@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4727); or click here to visit the Web site of the International Day.]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

Conference of the Parties
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
10–21 October 2011

The tenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Monday, 10, to Friday, 21 October 2011, in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea. The session will open on Monday, 10 October 2011, at 3 p.m.

At the opening of the session, in accordance with past practice, a limited number of speakers representing major groups of States, specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, regional and interest groups, and non-governmental organizations, will have an opportunity to address the Conference.

The high-level segment will be held on Monday, 17, and Tuesday, 18 October. Special statements, on behalf of regional and interest groups, will be made on Monday, 17 October, in the morning. In the afternoon, there will be two round tables. Round table 1 will be on "Desertification/land degradation, drought and food security", and round table 2 will be on "The UNCCD in the context of the Rio+20 Summit".

On Tuesday, 18 October, in the morning, round table 3 will be held on "Harnessing science for combating desertification, land degradation and drought: The path to improvement". In the afternoon, there will be a presentation and an interactive discussion on "The Changwon Initiative".

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/COP(10)/1. Additional information on the session is available on the following Web sites: <www.unccd.int> and <http://english.unccdcop10.go.kr>.

Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
11–20 October 2011

The tenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Tuesday, 11, to Thursday, 20 October 2011, in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea.

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/CRIC(10)/1. Additional information on the session is available at <www.unccd.int/cop/officialdocs/cric10/doclist.php>.

Conference of the Parties

Committee on Science and Technology
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
11–13 October 2011

The tenth session of the Committee on Science and Technology of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Tuesday, 11, to Thursday, 13 October 2011 in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea.

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/COP(10)/CST/1. Additional information on the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unccd.int/cop/officialdocs/cop10/cstdoclist.php>.

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva
24–28 October 2011

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2011/253 of 27 July 2011, the seventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 24, to Friday, 28 October 2011, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/ffd/tax/seventhsession/>.

For further information, please contact the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail taxffdoffice@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

Credentials of the representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded, that in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation shall be submitted to the Secretary-General. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Copies of credentials may be faxed (1 (212) 963-6430) and originals hand-delivered to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (Room 13051, 380 Madison Avenue). Should delegations have any questions, the Secretary's Office may be contacted (tel. 1 (917) 367-8296).

Photo coverage during the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

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United Nations Regional Course in International Law (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (2012))

Applications for the 2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 February to 2 March 2012, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the

regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 14 October 2011*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in French. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Web site of the Regional Course <www.un.org/law/rcil/>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org).

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second of language-specific informational meetings for 2011 will be held in November, in Conference Room E (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, 2 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Wednesday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Thursday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Thursday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. *French*

Friday, 4 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Friday, 4 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings

The tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings may now be accessed on the Web site of the General Assembly at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings>.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>.

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Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 4 October 2011

Security Council

6627th meeting

The situation in the Middle East

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2011/612, submitted by France, Germany, Portugal and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2011/612) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2011/612) received 9 votes in favour (Bosnia and Herzegovina, Colombia, France, Gabon, Germany, Nigeria, Portugal, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America), 2 against (China and Russian Federation), and 4 abstentions (Brazil, India, Lebanon and South Africa), and was not adopted owing to the negative vote of a permanent member.

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of France, the Russian Federation, China, Portugal, India, the United Kingdom, Colombia, the United States, Lebanon, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Germany, South Africa and Brazil.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

31st plenary meeting

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization (A/66/1) . . . . [110]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 110.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, China, Thailand, Indonesia, South Africa, Egypt, Senegal, Guatemala, Belarus, India, the Sudan, Nepal and Mozambique.

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization, contained in document A/66/1.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 110.

Main Committees

First Committee

4th meeting

The Chair made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uzbekistan (on behalf of Central Asian States), Myanmar (on behalf of the Association of the South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)), Israel, the Russian Federation, Australia, the United States, Kuwait, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Senegal, Tunisia, Yemen, Nepal, Indonesia and the United Republic of Tanzania.

The representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan, the Syrian Arab Republic and the Republic of Korea made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3rd meeting

Agenda items 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60

General debate

A statement was made by the representative of Spain.

Implementation of the declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [60]

A statement was made by the Chair.

Question of Gibraltar

The Committee decided to hear a statement by the Chief Minister of Gibraltar, H.E. Mr. Peter Caruana.

Hearing of petitioners

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard a statement by Mr. Fabian Picardo (A/C.4/66/2).

Question of New Caledonia

The Committee decided to hear a statement by the Vice-President of the Government of New Caledonia, H.E. Mr. Gilbert Tyuienon.

A question was posed by the representative of Papua New Guinea, to which H.E. Mr. Tyuienon responded.

Hearing of petitioners

Question of Guam

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard statements by Mr. Edward Alvarez, Guam Commission on Decolonization; and Ms. Judith T. Won-Pat, Guam Legislature (A/C.4/66/3).

Question of Turks and Caicos

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard a statement by Mr. Alpha Gibbs, Turks and Caicos Forum (A/C.4/66/4).

Question of the United States Virgin Islands

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard a statement by Mr. Edward L. Browne (A/C.4/66/5).

Hearing of a petitioner on item 60

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard a statement by Mr. Carlyle Corbin (A/C.4/66/6).

Question of Western Sahara

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard statements by Ms. Gale Sherrill, The Glenpool Outreach Center at The Landing, Ms. Nancy Huff, Teach the Children International; Ms. Amy Karimi, The Borrowed Voice; Mr. Javier Bardem; Mr. José Maria Garre Gil; Ms. Nouria Hafsi, Union nationale des femmes algériennes; Mr. Said Ayachi, Comité national algérien de solidarité avec le peuple sahraoui; Ms. Latifa Aït-Baala, Action internationale femmes; Mr. Pedro Pinto Leite, International Platform of Jurists for East Timor; Ms. Fatma Seida, Association sud pour

la protection de l'enfance; Mr. Henri-Louis Védie; Ms. Fatima El Aadli, Conseil provincial d'Essmara; Mr. Mohammed Cheikh Ismaaili, Acteur associatif à Essmara; Ms. M'Barka Bouaida; Ms. Masgoula Baamar, Centre royal consultatif des affaires sahariennes; and Lord Francis Newall, International Committee for the Tindouf Prisoners (A/C.4/66/7).

On the question of Gibraltar, the representative of the United Kingdom made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Second Committee

4th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Chile (on behalf of the Rio Group), the Republic of Korea, Maldives, Cuba, the Philippines, Uzbekistan, India, Libya, Tajikistan, Nigeria, Mongolia, China, Namibia, Qatar, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Bangladesh.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair (Bangladesh).

Third Committee

4th meeting

Social development . . . . . [27]

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

(c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing

The Committee continued its general discussion of item 27 and its sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Chile (on behalf of the Rio Group), Bulgaria, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Morocco, Slovakia, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Colombia, Japan, China, Kenya, India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Viet Nam, Eritrea, Qatar, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Ukraine, Zimbabwe, Iraq and the Sudan.

5th meeting

Social development . . . . . [27]

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

(c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing

The Committee continued its general discussion of item 27 and its sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, Azerbaijan, the United Republic of

Tanzania, the Niger, Tunisia, Burkina Faso, Portugal, Rwanda, the Dominican Republic, Sri Lanka, Côte d'Ivoire, Bangladesh, the United Arab Emirates, Oman and Ecuador.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Organization for Migration, the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations and the International Labour Organization.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 27 and its sub-items (a) to (c).

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Fifth Committee

3rd meeting

Scale of assessment for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations. [138]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

A statement was made by the representative of Mexico.

The Chair of the Committee on Contributions made concluding remarks.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would continue on that day, Tuesday, 4 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting, which would be coordinated by Ms. Sirithon Wairatpanij (Thailand).

4th meeting

Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services . . . . . [142]

Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations . . . . . [132]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the reports of that Office (A/66/286 (Part I) and A/66/286 (Part I)/Add.1).

The Chair of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee, introduced the report on the activities of that Committee (A/66/299).

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Switzerland (also on behalf of Liechtenstein), Singapore, the United States, Norway and Viet Nam.

The Chair of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee responded to questions raised.

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services made concluding remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on these agenda items.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on these items would begin on that day, Tuesday, 4 October, following the adjournment of the formal meeting in Conference Room 5 (NLB), and would be coordinated by Mr. Jun Yamada (Japan).

Sixth Committee

3rd meeting

Measures to eliminate international terrorism . . . . . [109]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 109.

Statements were made by the representatives of: Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Viet Nam (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)), Kenya (on behalf of the African Group), Nigeria, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Cuba, Uganda, Nicaragua, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Madagascar, Myanmar, Kenya, Eritrea, Tunisia, the Czech Republic, Ukraine, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Yemen, Turkey, Oman and Algeria. The representative of Israel made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

4th meeting

Measures to eliminate international terrorism . . . . . [109]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 109.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, Burkina Faso, the Sudan, Colombia, Afghanistan, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mozambique, Montenegro, the United Kingdom, Georgia and Mauritania. The representative of Saudi Arabia made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on agenda item 109.

Observer status for the Cooperation Council of Turkic-speaking States in the General Assembly . . . . . [167]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 167.

The representative of Turkey introduced draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.2.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Guatemala and Argentina.

Observer status for the Union of South American Nations in the General Assembly [168]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 168.

The representative of Guyana introduced draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.3 and announced that Cuba, the Grenadines, Haiti, Saint Vincent and Trinidad and Tobago had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The representative of the Plurinational State of Bolivia announced that his country had joined as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Colombia, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Brazil, Cuba, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Mexico, Peru, Ecuador, Nicaragua and Trinidad and Tobago.

Observer status for the International Renewable Energy Agency in the General Assembly . . . . . [169]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 169.

The representative of the United Arab Emirates introduced draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.4 and announced that Afghanistan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Monaco, Qatar, Slovenia and the Sudan had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representatives of Belarus.

Observer status for the Central European Initiative in the General Assembly . . . [170]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 170.

The representative of Serbia introduced draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.5.

Observer status for the United Cities and Local Governments in the General Assembly [171]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 171.

The representative of Turkey introduced draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.6.

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and China.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Ratification: Israel (3 October 2011)[1]

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990

Signature: Venezuela (4 October 2011)

Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 10 December 2008

Signature: Venezuela (4 October 2011)

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Kenya
H.E. Mr. Macharia Kamau

Asia-Pacific States:
Islamic Republic of Iran
H.E. Mr. Mohammad Khazaee

Eastern European States:
Russian Federation
H.E. Mr. Vitaly Churkin

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Costa Rica
H.E. Mr. Eduardo Ulibarri

Western European and other States:
Norway
H.E. Mr. Morten Wetland

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General Assembly
<www.un.org/en/ga>

Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
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United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 4 October 2011

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A/66/348/Add.1 Item 140 — Joint Inspection Unit — Policies and procedures for the administration of trust funds in the United Nations system organizations — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

A/66/349 Item 134 of the provisional agenda — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 — Feasibility study on the United Nations Headquarters accommodation needs 2014-2034 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *16 pages*

A/66/377* Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

Third Committee

A/C.3/66/L.2 Items 107 and 108 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — International drug control — Strengthening international cooperation in combating the harmful effects of illicit financial flows resulting from criminal activities — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

A/C.3/66/L.3 Items 107 and 108 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — International drug control — Technical assistance for implementing the international conventions and protocols related to counter-terrorism — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

A/C.3/66/L.4 Item 107 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — Follow-up to the Twelfth United Nations Congress on Crime — Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations for the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

A/C.3/66/L.5 Item 107 — Crime prevention and criminal justice — Follow-up to the Twelfth United Nations Congress on Crime — Strengthening crime prevention and criminal justice responses to protect cultural property, especially with regard to its trafficking — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

Fifth Committee

A/C.5/66/L.2 Item 138 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Draft resolution submitted by the Chair of the Committee following informal consultations — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: requests under Article 19 of the Charter [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

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A/ES-10/532–S/2011/597 Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Identical letters dated 28 September 2011 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

Security Council **Documents**

S/2011/595 France, Germany, Nigeria, Portugal and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: draft resolution [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*

A/ES-10/532–S/2011/597

Identical letters dated 28 September 2011 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

S/RES/2010 (2011) Adopted by the Security Council at its 6626th meeting, on 30 September 2011 [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

   Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Abyei (S/2011/603)

Morning[1] . . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

UNISFA (S/2011/603)

Other matters

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 6628th meeting.

Announcement

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General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 87 to 106): *item 87* (A/66/117, A/66/89, A/66/89/Corr.1, A/66/89/Corr.2 and A/66/89/Corr.3); *item 88*; *item 89*; *item 90*; *item 91*; *item 92*; *item 93* (A/66/359 and A/66/152); *item 94* (A/66/153 (Part I) and A/66/153/Add.1); *item 95*; *item 96*; *item 97*; *item 98* (A/66/176, A/66/176/Add.1, A/65/920, A/66/166, A/66/166/Add.1, A/66/127, A/66/127/Add.1, A/66/154, A/66/154/Add.1, A/66/112, A/66/112/Add.1, A/66/177, A/66/168, A/66/97, A/66/97/Add.1, A/66/111, A/66/111/Add.1, A/66/132, A/66/132/Add.1, A/66/171, A/66/115 and A/66/157); *item 99* (A/66/159, A/66/140, A/66/113, A/66/72-S/2011/225 and A/66/163); *item 100* (A/66/125, A/66/123, A/66/123/Corr.1 and A/66/42); *item 101* (A/66/153 (Part II)); *item 102*; *item 103* (A/66/122 and A/66/122/Add.1); *item 104* (A/66/165 and A/66/165/Add.1); *item 105*; and *item 106*

[Other document: A/C.1/66/1]

[The general debate will continue until Tuesday, 11 October 2011. Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee and guidance provided by the Bureau, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers, prepared on the basis of the time limits, is closed. Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Timur Alasaniya, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Ms. Francine Leong (e-mail leong@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; room IN-606A; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; room IN-608B). Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickPlace Web site <https://unishare.un.org/LotusQuickr/quickfirst/Main.nsf>. For inquiries regarding QuickPlace of the Committee, kindly contact the Deputy Secretary, Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky (e-mail cherniavsky@un.org).]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

1. Agenda items 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60
2. Requests for hearings (A/C.4/66/7)
3. General debate on all decolonization items: *item 56* (A/66/23, chapters VII and XII, A/66/65 and A/66/65/Add.1); *item 57* (A/66/23, chapters V and XII); *item 58* (A/66/23, chapters VI and XII, and A/66/63); *item 59* (A/66/68 and A/66/68/Add.1); and *item 60* (A/66/23, chapters VIII, IX, X, XI and XII, and A/66/260)

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Committee are kindly requested to contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; room IN-615A). Delegations are reminded that the time limits of *10 minutes* for national statements, and *15 minutes* for statements on behalf of groups should be observed. Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Ms. Emer Herity, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-613C or NL-1033D; fax 1 (212) 963-

5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and Permanent Observers at <https://4thcommittee.unlb.org>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org). Member State representatives wishing to be included on the mailing list of the Committee are requested to send an e-mail, indicating name, delegation and e-mail address, to Ms. Emena Efeotor (e-mail efeotor@un.org).]

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice (A/66/131, E/2011/30, A/66/303, A/66/91, A/66/92, A/C.3/66/L.2, A/C.3/66/L.3, A/C.3/66/L.4 and A/C.3/66/L.5) . . . . . [107]

2. International drug control (A/66/130) . . . . . [108]

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Lorna Fidler (e-mail fidler@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Delegations are reminded that the time limits of *7 minutes* for individual Member States, and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, should be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Delegations wishing to have the texts of their statements circulated should provide 250 copies of the same to the Conference Officers. Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org; room NL-1033 or IN-603G)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/66/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Third Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7855; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the sixty-sixth session, is available at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/third/index.shtml>. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail 3rdcommittee@un.org).]

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 134 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013: Financial reporting by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/66/352 and A/66/376)); and

Agenda item 131 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/66/5/Add.5, A/66/139 and A/66/377))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 142 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/66/286 (Part I) and A/66/286 (Part I)/Add.1)); and

Agenda item 132 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations (A/66/299, A/66/73 and A/66/73/Add.1))

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 7th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

1. The rule of law at the national and international levels (A/66/133) . . . . . [83]
2. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (A/66/33, A/66/201 and A/66/213) [82]

3–6 p.m. . . . . 8th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

1. Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization (A/66/33, A/66/201 and A/66/213) [82]
2. Observer status for the Intergovernmental Authority on Development in the General Assembly (A/66/193) . . . . . [172]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.7
3. Observer status for the Parliamentary Assembly of Turkic-speaking Countries in the General Assembly (A/66/196) . . . . . [173]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.8
4. Observer status for the International Conference of Asian Political Parties in the General Assembly (A/66/198) . . . . . [174]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.6/66/L.9

[The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan, e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5378; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) if they wish to be inscribed on the list. Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail kosalvitr@un.org; room M-13068A, 380 Madison Avenue; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS)
2. Executive meeting

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session for 2011

3–6 p.m. . . . . 51st meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

1. Election of the Bureau: Election of a Vice-President
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters . . . . . [1]

   Election of six members to the Executive Board of the World Food Programme (E/2011/9/Add.11)

Vacancies postponed from previous sessions:

(a) Commission on Narcotic Drugs

(b) Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

(c) Commission on Sustainable Development

(d) Commission on Science and Technology for Development

(e) Committee for Programme and Coordination

(f) Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

(g) Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

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The General Assembly will hold the election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council, under sub-item (a) of item 113 of the agenda, on Friday, 21 October 2011, at 10 a.m. Other changes in the schedule of plenary meetings are reflected in the note by the President of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3). Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be reflected in revised versions of this document and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>, and will also be announced in the *Journal*.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

Thursday, 6 October 2011

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction" (under agenda item 98 (p)) (convened by the delegation of Poland)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Objective information on military matters including transparency of military expenditure" (under agenda item 87 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Romania)

1–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee)

Informal presentation of the Secretary-General's report (A/66/292) on assistance in mine action and presentation of the related draft resolution (under agenda item 49) (convened by the delegation of Poland, on behalf of the European Union)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E (NLB)

Third Committee

Meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

9 a.m.–12 noon . . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Portugal, the Republic of Moldova and Senegal)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B (NLB)

Other meetings

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Thursday, 6 October 2011

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (on the draft resolution on the Regional Centre for Peace, Disarmament and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean) (under agenda item 99 (c)) (First Committee)

4–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Informal exchange of views with the African Group (on First Committee matters) (organized by the United States Mission)

4.30–5.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Other activities

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Thursday, 6 October 2011

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mails falls@un.org or info@unitarny.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Launch of the MDG Report 2011, entitled "Assessing progress in Africa toward the Millennium Development Goals" (co-organized by the Economic Commission for Africa, the African Union, the African Development Bank and the United Nations Development Programme)

From 5 to 6 p.m., at the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union (305 East 47th Street, 5th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Yinka Adeyemi, Economic Commission for Africa (tel. 1 (646) 359-2736).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Thursday, 6 October 2011

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

11 a.m.	Mr. Austin Ruse, President, Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute; Prof. Robert George, McCormick Professor of Jurisprudence and Director of the James Madison Program, Princeton University; Ambassador Grover Joseph Rees III (United States), former Ambassador to East Timor and former Special Representative for social issues to the United Nations (launch of the San Jose Articles) [sponsored by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See]
12 noon	Press briefing by the Spokesperson
12.30 p.m.	Mr. Michael Williams, United Nations Special Coordinator for Lebanon (UNSCOL) (on the end of his mission in Lebanon)

Forthcoming official meetings

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Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 6th meeting on Friday, 7 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 6th meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 253rd meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Friday, 7 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room M-13052; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, par. 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Briefing

The Economic and Social Council will hold a briefing on Friday, 7 October 2011, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on the preparations for the 2012 Development Cooperation Forum High-level Symposium on "Working together to increase the development impact of aid", which will be held in Luxembourg (18–19 October 2011). The briefing will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Lazarous Kapambwe (Zambia), and speakers include the Permanent Representative of Luxembourg, H.E. Ms. Sylvie Lucas, and the Under-Secretary-General of Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang.

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Philippe Donckel, Permanent Mission of Luxembourg (e-mail philippe.donckel@mae.etat.lu); or Ms. Doris Schmitz-Meiners; Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail schmitz-meiners@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4946).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

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First Committee

Meeting of sponsors and potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Nuclear disarmament" (under agenda item 98 (o)) (convened by the delegation of Myanmar)

Friday, 7 October 2010, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus" (under agenda item 98 (f)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and France)

Friday, 7 October 2010, from 1 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects" (under agenda item 98 (t)) (convened by the delegation of Japan)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Fissile material cut-off treaty" (under agenda item 98 (u)) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Objective information on military matters including transparency of military expenditure" (under agenda item 87 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Romania)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Open ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Transparency in armaments" (under agenda item 98 (g)) (convened by the delegation of the Netherlands)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A (NLB).

Third Committee

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation against the world drug problem" (under agenda item 108) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing" (under agenda item 27 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Brazil, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolutions entitled "Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women" (under agenda item 28 (a)) and "International Covenants on Human Rights" (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Persons with disabilities" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of the Philippines and the United Republic of Tanzania)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of the United Nations system on child protection" (under agenda item 65 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Thailand)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegations of Indonesia and the Philippines)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB);

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB); and

Tuesday, 18 October 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Informal exchanges of views with regional groups (on First Committee matters) (organized by the United States Mission)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NBL): with the Asia-Pacific Group;

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Eastern European Group;

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Latin American and Caribbean Group; and

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Western European and Other States Group.

Western European and Other States Group: Open-ended Working Group on a possible WEOG rotation scheme for the Security Council (organized by the Permanent Missions of the Netherlands and San Marino)

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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High-level panel discussion on "NEPAD and the MDGs: Progress, challenges and the way forward" (on the occasion of the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the New Partnership for Africa's Development) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union and the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA))

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, OSAA (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576; or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/africa/osaa/whatsnew.html>.]

Briefing on the 2012 Seoul Nuclear Security Summit (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the United States Mission)

Friday, 7 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Kap-soo Rim, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail ksrim96@mofat.go.kr; tel. 1 (212) 439-4090).]

Briefing on two reports of the Secretary-General, entitled ' New Partnership for Africa's Development: ninth consolidated progress report on implementation and international support" (A/66/202), and "Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (A/66/214–S/2011/476); and two presentations on "Progress and forward-looking approaches in NEPAD implementation" and "Progress in implementation of the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM)" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. David Mehdi Hamam, OSAA (e-mail hamamm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2645; or Ms. Mieko Ikegame, OSAA (e-mail ikegame@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1937).]

Presentation of the report of the Secretary-General on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel (organized by the Delegation of the European Union)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Loic Lallemand Zeller, Delegation of the European Union (e-mail loic.lallemand-zeller@eeas.europa.eu; tel. 1 (212) 401-0103).]

Panel discussion on "The role of governments in protecting conflict-affected children" (organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Fernando Falcon, Office of the Special Representative (e-mail falcon@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8234).]

Panel discussion on "Women's access to justice" (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Pierron, UN-Women (e-mail nicole.pierron@unwomen.org).]

High-level round table on "The role of regional organizations in the protection of children from violence" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children, the League of Arab States, the South Asia Initiative to End Violence Against Children, the Council of Europe, the Permanent Commission of the Niñ@Sur Initiative of MERCOSUR and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Falaq Dulloo, Office of the Special Representative (e-mail fdulloo@unicef.org; tel. 1 (212) 824-6748).]

Briefing on "IAEA safeguards for States with limited nuclear material and activities" (organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA))

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Francine Lontok, IAEA New York Liaison Office (e-mail lontokf@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0971).]

Briefing on "The global financial crisis and strategies to avoid unsustainable debt" (organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Januel Nalupta, UNCTAD (e-mail nalupta@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9114).]

UNITAR workshop on effective negotiation in multilateral conferences

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street); and

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street).

[Open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail helene.gandois@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).]

Special presentation on "Challenges and opportunities for the sustainability of outer space" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and Space Security Index)

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roxane Milot, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail roxane.milot@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1124).]

UNITAR workshops series on the reform of the United Nations

United Nations Reform I: Institutional adaptation of United Nations governing bodies (Security Council, General Assembly, Human Rights Council)

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

United Nations Reform II: Management reform

Friday, 21 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

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Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2011, on the theme "From poverty to sustainability: People at the centre of inclusive development" (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the International Movement ATD Fourth World and the NGO Subcommittee for the Eradication of Poverty, with the support of the Permanent Missions of France and Burkina Faso)

Monday, 17 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Simone Wilson, DESA (e-mail wilsons@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9113); or Ms. Leena Kemppainen (e-mail kemppainen@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4727); or click here to visit the Web site of the International Day.]

Panel discussion on "Women of African descent" (in observance of the International Year for People of African Descent 2011) (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Wednesday, 19 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Michelle Premsukh, OHCHR (e-mail premsukh@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5931); or click here to visit the Web site of the International Year.]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

Conference of the Parties
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
10–21 October 2011

The tenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Monday, 10, to Friday, 21 October 2011, in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea. The session will open on Monday, 10 October 2011, at 3 p.m.

At the opening of the session, in accordance with past practice, a limited number of speakers representing major groups of States, specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, regional and interest groups, and non-governmental organizations, will have an opportunity to address the Conference.

The high-level segment will be held on Monday, 17, and Tuesday, 18 October. Special statements, on behalf of regional and interest groups, will be made on Monday, 17 October, in the morning. In the afternoon, there will be two round tables. Round table 1 will be on "Desertification/land degradation, drought and food security", and round table 2 will be on "The UNCCD in the context of the Rio+20 Summit".

On Tuesday, 18 October, in the morning, round table 3 will be held on "Harnessing science for combating desertification, land degradation and drought: The path to improvement". In the afternoon, there will be a presentation and an interactive discussion on "The Changwon Initiative".

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/COP(10)/1. Additional information on the session is available on the following Web sites: <www.unccd.int> and <http://english.unccdcop10.go.kr>.

Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
11–20 October 2011

The tenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Tuesday, 11, to Thursday, 20 October 2011, in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea.

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/CRIC(10)/1. Additional information on the session is available at <www.unccd.int/cop/officialdocs/cric10/doclist.php>.

Conference of the Parties

Committee on Science and Technology
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
11–13 October 2011

The tenth session of the Committee on Science and Technology of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Tuesday, 11, to Thursday, 13 October 2011 in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea.

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/COP(10)/CST/1. Additional information on the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unccd.int/cop/officialdocs/cop10/cstdoclist.php>.

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva
24–28 October 2011

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2011/253 of 27 July 2011, the seventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 24, to Friday, 28 October 2011, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/ffd/tax/seventhsession/>.

For further information, please contact the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail taxffdoffice@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

Credentials of the representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded, that in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation shall be submitted to the Secretary-General. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Copies of credentials may be faxed (1 (212) 963-6430) and originals hand-delivered to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (Room 13051, 380 Madison Avenue). Should delegations have any questions, the Secretary's Office may be contacted (tel. 1 (917) 367-8296).

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United Nations Regional Course in International Law (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (2012))

Applications for the 2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 February to 2 March 2012, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 14 October 2011*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in French. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Web site of the Regional Course <www.un.org/law/rcil/>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org).

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second of language-specific informational meetings for 2011 will be held in November, in Conference Room E (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, 2 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Wednesday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Thursday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Thursday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. *French*

Friday, 4 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Friday, 4 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings

The tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings may now be accessed on the Web site of the General Assembly at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings>.

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The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 5 October 2011

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

First Committee

5th meeting

The Chair made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Belarus (on behalf of the Collective Security Treaty Organization), Turkey, San Marino, Norway, Cuba, the Sudan, Algeria, Egypt, Jamaica, France, Cambodia, Kyrgyzstan, the United Arab Emirates and Maldives.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

4th meeting

Agenda items 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60

Implementation of the declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples . . . . . [60]

A statement was made by the Chair.

Hearing of petitioners

Question of Western Sahara

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard statements by Mr. Baba Ahl Mayara, Ligue des défenseurs des droits de l'homme au Sahara; Mr. Sidi Ahmed Akmach, Cheikh de tribu (Laâyoune); Mr. Erik Jensen; Mr. Róman López Villicaña; Ms. Janet Lenz, Not Forgotten International; Mr. Sidi Brahim El Joumani, Association Sahara pour la promotion des droits humains; Mr. Teguh Santosa, Indonesia

Islam University; Ms. Eva Brems; Mr. Charles Wilson, International Sahrawi Friendship Association; Mr. Alvaro Longoria; Mr. Joseph Dubié, Comité belge de soutien au peuple Sahraoui; Mr. Fernando Oliván López; Ms. Anna Maria Stame Cervone, Internationale des femmes démocrates chrétiennes; Mr. David Eriksson, Security and Human Development; Ms. Maimouna Essayed, Commune rurale de Tichla; Mr. Sydney S. Assor, Surrey Three Faiths Forum; Mrs. Jane Bahaijoub, Family Protection; Mr. Pedro Brieger; Ms. Cynthia Basinet; Ms. Fala Boussola, Chambre des représentants marocaine; Mr. Rafael Esparza Machín, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria; Ms. Zahra Chagaf, Sahara for Peace; Mr. Antonio López Ortiz, Federación Estatal de Instituciones Solidarias con el Pueblo Saharaui; Mr. Donovan Williams, Families in Union; Mr. Robert Griffin; Ms. Tanya Warburg, Freedom For All; Mr. Juan José Ibarretxe Markuartu, Gobierno Vasco, Coordinadora Estatal de Asociaciones Solidarias con el Sahara; Mr. Panagiotis Theodorakidis; Mr. Salek Rahal; Mr. Shoji Matsumoto, Sapporo Gakuin University; Mr. José Revert Calabuig, Asociación Internacional de Juristas por el Sahara Occidental; Mr. Mohamed Ziyad Al Jabari, Moroccan-Palestinian Friendship Association; and Mr. Ugo Mazza (A/C.4/66/7).

Organization of work

Following a proposal by the Chair, the Committee decided to combine the hearing of the remaining petitioners and the general debate on Thursday, 6 October, and to cancel the meeting scheduled for Friday, 7 October.

Second Committee

5th meeting

General debate

The Committee resumed its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Israel, Kazakhstan, Viet Nam, Algeria, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Myanmar, South Africa, Morocco, Ghana, Thailand, Zambia, Ecuador, Afghanistan, Benin and El Salvador.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair (Bangladesh).

6th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of San Marino, Georgia, Sri Lanka, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Sierra Leone, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Timor-Leste, Armenia, Colombia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Tunisia and Guinea.

A statement was made by the observer of Palestine.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Labour Organization and the World Meteorological Organization.

A statement was also made by the representative the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

The Committee thus concluded its general debate.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Nigeria).

Third Committee

6th meeting

Crime prevention and criminal justice [107]

International drug control [108]

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items.

The attention of the Committee was drawn to documents A/C.3/66/L.2, A/C.3/66/L.3, A/C.3/66/L.4 and A/C.3/66/L.5, recommended by the Economic and Social Council for action by the Committee.

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for submission of proposals under the items was Thursday, 6 October, at 1 p.m.

The Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime made an introductory statement and responded to questions and comments made by the representatives of Afghanistan, Liechtenstein and the Plurinational State of Bolivia.

The Committee began its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Zambia (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Tajikistan (on behalf of the Commonwealth of Independent States), Kazakhstan (on behalf of the Collective Security Treaty Organization), Kyrgyzstan, Nigeria, Liechtenstein, Senegal, Israel, Thailand, Nicaragua, China, Mexico, Ukraine, India and Malaysia.

7th meeting

Crime prevention and criminal justice [107]

International drug control [108]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 107 and 108 and heard statements by the representatives of the United States, Norway, Egypt, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Brazil, the Russian Federation, Pakistan, Japan, Belarus, Yemen, the Syrian Arab Republic, Peru, Algeria, Cuba, Kenya, Singapore, South Africa, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and Morocco.

Fifth Committee

5th meeting

Scale of assessment for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [138]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.2, which had been coordinated by the representative of Thailand.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [131]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Director of External Audit (China) and Chair of the Audit Operations Committee introduced the financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 and the report of the Board of Auditors on the voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (A/66/5/Add.5), and the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Board of Auditors on implementation of its recommendations relating to the biennium 2008-2009 (A/66/139).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/66/377).

The Executive Secretary of the Joint Inspection Unit of the United Nations System introduced, on behalf of the Chair of the Joint Inspection Unit, the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of that office entitled "The audit function in the United Nations system" (A/66/73).

The Senior Adviser on Information Management Policy Coordination, Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination, introduced the note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executive Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit (A/66/73/Add.1).

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Côte d'Ivoire.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this agenda item.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would be coordinated by Mr. Amr El-Hamamy (Egypt).

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 [134]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Controller and Director of the Division of Financial and Administrative Management, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, introduced the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of that Office on transitional measures concerning financial reporting by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees under the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (A/66/352).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/66/376).

In the absence of speakers, the Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

Sixth Committee

5th–6th meetings

The rule of law at the national and international levels [83]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 83.

The Deputy Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Australia (on behalf of the CANZ group (Australia, Canada and New Zealand)), Chile (on behalf of the Rio Group), Viet Nam (on behalf of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)), Egypt, Senegal, Switzerland, Guatemala, Norway, China, the United Republic of Tanzania, South Africa, Liechtenstein, the Syrian Arab Republic, Japan, Columbia, the United States, Zambia, Kuwait, Myanmar, El Salvador, Azerbaijan, India, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, Mexico, Ethiopia, the Russian Federation, Costa Rica, Argentina, Pakistan, Thailand, Indonesia, Timor-Leste, Malaysia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Côte d'Ivoire, Bangladesh, Cuba, Kenya, Tunisia and the Sudan, as well as by the Permanent Observer of Palestine.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

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H.E. Mr. Macharia Kamau

Asia-Pacific States:
Islamic Republic of Iran
H.E. Mr. Mohammad Khazaee

Eastern European States:
Russian Federation
H.E. Mr. Vitaly Churkin

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Costa Rica
H.E. Mr. Eduardo Ulibarri

Western European and other States:
Norway
H.E. Mr. Morten Wetland

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A/66/390–S/2011/605	Item 36 — The situation in the Middle East — Identical letters dated 27 September 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
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A/ES-10/533–S/2011/606	Item 5 — Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalemand the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory — Identical letters dated 30 September 2011 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

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First Committee

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[Other document: A/C.1/66/1]

[The general debate will continue until Tuesday, 11 October 2011. Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the First Committee and guidance provided by the Bureau, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers, prepared on the basis of the time limits, is closed.]

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Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 6th meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

1. Programme planning (A/66/16 (chapters I, II.B, II and IV)) [135]

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2010-2011: United Nations Office for Partnerships (A/66/188) [133]

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

*Agenda item 135 (*Programme planning (A/66/16 (chapters I, II.B, III and IV))

3–4 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 138 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/66/11 and A/66/69))

4–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 131 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/66/5/Add.5, A/66/139 and A/66/377))

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 6th meeting of the Committee.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 9th meeting Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission (A/66/174 and A/66/174/Add.1) [78]

[The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marianne Sooksatan, e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5378; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) if they wish to be inscribed on the list. Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail kosalvitr@un.org; room M-13068A, 380 Madison Avenue; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).]

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 253rd meeting (closed) Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10 (NLB)

1. International Civil Service Commission (ICSC)
2. Executive meeting

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law
Forty-sixth session

3–5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

[The membership of the Committee is as follows: Canada, Colombia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ghana, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Portugal, Russian Federation, Sudan, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America and Uruguay.]

Economic and Social Council

Briefing

The Economic and Social Council will hold a briefing *today*, 7 October 2011, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on the preparations for the 2012 Development Cooperation Forum High-level Symposium on "Working together to increase the development impact of aid", which will be held in Luxembourg (18–19 October 2011). The briefing will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Lazarous Kapambwe (Zambia), and speakers include the Permanent Representative of Luxembourg, H.E. Ms. Sylvie Lucas, and the Under-Secretary-General of Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang.

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Philippe Donckel, Permanent Mission of Luxembourg (e-mail philippe.donckel@mae.etat.lu); or Ms. Doris Schmitz-Meiners; Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail schmitz-meiners@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4946).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

Friday, 7 October 2011

First Committee

Meeting of sponsors and potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Nuclear disarmament" (under agenda item 98 (o)) (convened by the delegation of Myanmar)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus" (under agenda item 98 (f)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and France)

1–2 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects" (under agenda item 98 (t)) (convened by the delegation of Japan)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A (NLB)

Third Committee

Meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Women and political participation" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting United States Mission 2nd Floor Conference Room

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation against the world drug problem" (under agenda item 198) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

10 a.m.–11.30 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing" (under agenda item 27 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Brazil (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China))

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Persons with disabilities" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of the Philippines and the United Republic of Tanzania)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C (NLB)

Other meetings

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Friday, 7 October 2011

Group of 77 (Second Committee — Macroeconomic issues)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D (NLB)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Informal exchange of views the Asia-Pacific Group (on First Committee matters) (organized by the United States Mission)

4.30–5.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A (NLB)

Other activities

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Friday, 7 October 2011

High-level panel discussion on "NEPAD and the MDGs: Progress, challenges and the way forward" (on the occasion of the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the New Partnership for Africa's Development) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the Office of the Permanent Observer of the African Union and the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA))

From 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, OSAA (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576; or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/africa/osaa/whatsnew.html>.]

Briefing on the 2012 Seoul Nuclear Security Summit (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the United States Mission)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Kap-soo Rim, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail ksrim96@mofat.go.kr; tel. 1 (212) 439-4090).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Friday, 7 October 2011

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 p.m. Press briefing by the Spokesperson

12.30 p.m. Dr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, Chief Executive Officer, NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency; Dr. Amos Namanga Ngongi, President, Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa; and Cheikh Sidi Diarra, Special Adviser on Africa and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States [*Moderator*: Mrs. Habiba Mejri-Cheick, Director of Communication, African Union] (on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD))

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The programme of work of plenary meetings of the General Assembly is contained in the note by the President of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3), with the following changes:

1. The election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council, under sub-item (a) of item 113 of the agenda, will be held on Friday, 21 October 2011, at 10 a.m.; and

2. On Tuesday, 8 November 2011, agenda items 112 (Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations) and 30 (Report of the Security Council) will be considered in that order, from 10 a.m. Item 122 (Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters) will then be considered from 3 p.m. In the event that the list of speakers is not exhausted on item 30 by 1 p.m. on that day, the remaining speakers will be heard after all speakers have spoken on item 122.

Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be announced in the *Journal* and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>, and will be reflected in revised versions of the note by the President of the General Assembly.

Announcement

Scanning the code appearing on the left side with the appropriate device will direct the readers to the Web site of the President of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/president/66>. For further information, please contact Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4909).

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 6th meeting on Monday, 10 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Second Committee

Special events

Panel discussion on "Alternative development strategies for job creation"

The Second Committee will hold a panel discussion on "Alternative development strategies for job creation" on Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). Panellists include Mr. Peter Bakvis, Director, Washington Office of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC); Mr. Adam B. Greene, Vice-President, Labor Affairs and Corporate Responsibility, United States Council for International Business; Mr. Massimiliano La Marca, Economic Policy Specialist, the International Labour Organization; and Professor Akbar Noman, Senior Fellow, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University. The event is organized by the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA).

Additional information on the event will be available on the Web site of the Second Committee <www.un.org/en/ga/second/66/sideevents.shtml>. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Eric Olson, OESC, DESA (e-mail olsone@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0013).

Briefing by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund on the outcome of the 2011 annual meetings of the Bretton Woods institutions

The Second Committee will hold a briefing by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund on the outcome of the 2011 annual meetings of the Bretton Woods institutions, on Friday, 14 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

Presentations will be made by Mr. Jorge Familiar Calderón, Vice-President and Corporate Secretary, World Bank Group, on the general overview of the annual meetings; Mr. Elliott C. Harris, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, on the meeting of the International Monetary and Financial Committee; Mr. Sudarshan Gooptu, Sector Manager, Economic Policy and Debt Department, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network, World Bank Group, on the world economic outlook; and Ms. Carolina Sanchez, Senior Economist, World Bank Group, on the *2012 World Development Report* on "Gender Equality and Development", which was launched at the annual meetings.

This panel discussion is organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Hazem Fahmy, Financing for Development Office (e-mail fahmyh@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5900); or Ms. Victoria Panghulan, Financing for Development Office (e-mail panghulanv@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3925).

Third Committee

Listed below is the tentative schedule (subject to change) for introductory statements by special procedure mandate-holders, Chairs of human rights treaty bodies or Chairs of Working Groups who will be presenting reports to the Third Committee:

Monday, 10 October
10 a.m.

Ms. Silvia Pimentel, Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (oral report and interactive dialogue)

Ms. Rashida Manjoo, Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences (report and interactive dialogue)

Wednesday, 12 October
3 p.m.

Mr. Jean Zermatten, Chair of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (oral report)

Ms. Marta Santos Pais, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on violence against children

Ms. Najat M'jid Maalla, Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography

Monday, 17 October
10 a.m.

Mr. James Anaya, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people

Tuesday, 18 October
10 a.m.

Mr. Claudio Grossman, Chair of the Committee against Torture (oral report and interactive dialogue)

Mr. Malcolm David Evans, Chair of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (oral report and interactive dialogue)

Mr. Juan Méndez, Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment of punishment

Wednesday, 19 October
3 p.m.

Mr. Ahmed Shaheed, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iran

Mr. Tomás Ojea Quintana, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar

Mr. Marzuki Darusman, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Thursday, 20 October
10 a.m.

Mr. Richard Falk, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967

Mr. Ben Emmerson, Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights while countering terrorism

Mr. Heiner Bielefeldt, Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief

Thursday, 20 October
3 p.m.

Mr. Cephas Lumina, Independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights

Mr. Christoph Heyns, Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions

Mr. Chaloka Beyani, Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons

Friday, 21 October
10 a.m.

Mr. Abdelhamid El Jamri, Chair of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Mr. François Crépeau, Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

Ms. Raquel Rolnik, Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living

Friday, 21 October
3 p.m.

Mr. Frank William La Rue Lewy, Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the rights to freedom of opinion and expression

Ms. Gabriela Knaul, Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers

Monday, 24 October
10 a.m.

Ms. Joy Ngozi Ezeilo, Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children

Ms. Margaret Sekaggya, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders

Mr. Anand Grover, Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health

Monday, 24 October
3 p.m.

Mr. Kishore Singh, Special Rapporteur on the right to education

Mr. Olivier De Schutter, Special Rapporteur on the right to food

Ms. Catarina De Albuquerque, Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation

Tuesday, 25 October
10 a.m.

Chair of the Working Group on the Right to Development (TBD) (verbal update)

Ms. María Magdalena Sepúlveda, Independent Expert on the question of human rights and extreme poverty

Monday, 31 October
10 a.m.

Ms. Faiza Patel, Chair, Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination

Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (to be presented by the Chair of the Working Group on mercenaries)

Wednesday, 2 November
3 p.m.

H.E. Ms. Laura Dupuy Laserre, President of the Human Rights Council (interactive dialogue)

<www.un.org/en/ga/third/66/docs/dialogues.pdf>

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will informal consultations (closed) on Monday, 10 October 2011, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Informal briefings

Informal briefings (closed) will be held as follows:

Monday, 10 October 2011, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB): Proposed programme budget: biennium 2012-2013 (by Mr. Lionel Berridge, Acting Director, Programme Planning and Budget Division); International Public Section Accounting Standards (IPSAS) (by Mr. Chandramouli Ramanathan, Director, Accounts Division); and Long-term accommodation at United Nations Headquarters: feasibility study (by Ms. Angela Kane, Under-Secretary-General for Management and Mr. Warren Sach, Assistant Secretary-General, Central Support Services).

General Assembly

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal meeting

There will be an informal meeting of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) on the draft decision on the institutional budget estimates 2012-2013, on Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

First Committee

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Fissile material cut-off treaty" (under agenda item 98 (u)) (convened by the delegation of Canada)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Objective information on military matters including transparency of military expenditure" (under agenda item 87 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Romania)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Open ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Transparency in armaments" (under agenda item 98 (g)) (convened by the delegation of the Netherlands)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultation on the draft resolution entitled "Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention" (under agenda item 105) (convened by the delegation of Hungary)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Assistance in mine action" (under agenda item 49) (convened by the delegation Poland (on behalf of the European Union))

Wednesday, 12 October 2010, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Third Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation against the world drug problem" (under agenda item 108) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 9.30 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolutions entitled "Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women" (under agenda item 28 (a)) and "International Covenants on Human Rights" (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Persons with disabilities" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of the Philippines and the United Republic of Tanzania)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of the United Nations system on child protection" (under agenda item 65 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Thailand)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB),

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Meeting of the co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Women and political participation" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegations of Indonesia and the Philippines)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB);

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB); and

Tuesday, 18 October 2011, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization" (under agenda item 69 (c)) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/66/L.6, entitled "Tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons" (under agenda item 62) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

Tuesday, 18 October 2011, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Friday, 21 October 2011, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB);

Tuesday, 25 October 2011, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB); and

Thursday, 27 October 2011, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training" (under agenda item 64) (convened by the delegations of Costa Rica, Italy, Morocco, the Philippines, Senegal, Slovenia and Switzerland)

Monday, 24 October 2011, from 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB); and

Friday, 28 October 2011, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Informal exchanges of views with regional groups (on First Committee matters) (organized by the United States Mission)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Eastern European Group;

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Latin American and Caribbean Group; and

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room A (NLB): with the Western European and Other States Group.

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee experts)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 9 to 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (informal meeting)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Western European and Other States Group: Open-ended Working Group on a possible WEOG rotation scheme for the Security Council (organized by the Permanent Missions of the Netherlands and San Marino)

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing on two reports of the Secretary-General, entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: ninth consolidated progress report on implementation and international support" (A/66/202), and "Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (A/66/214–S/2011/476); and two presentations on "Progress and forward-looking approaches in NEPAD implementation" and "Progress in implementation of the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM)" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. David Mehdi Hamam, OSAA (e-mail hamamm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2645; or Ms. Mieko Ikegame, OSAA (e-mail ikegame@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1937).]

Presentation of the report of the Secretary-General on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel (organized by the Delegation of the European Union)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Loic Lallemand Zeller, Delegation of the European Union (e-mail loic.lallemand-zeller@eeas.europa.eu; tel. 1 (212) 401-0103).]

Panel discussion on "The role of governments in protecting conflict-affected children" (organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict)

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Fernando Falcon, Office of the Special Representative (e-mail falcon@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8234).]

Panel discussion on "Women's access to justice" (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 10 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Pierron, UN-Women (e-mail nicole.pierron@unwomen.org).]

High-level round table on "The role of regional organizations in the protection of children from violence" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children, the League of Arab States, the South Asia Initiative to End Violence Against Children, the Council of Europe, the Permanent Commission of the Niñ@ Sur Initiative of MERCOSUR and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child)

Tuesday, 11 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Falaq Dulloo, Office of the Special Representative (e-mail fdulloo@unicef.org; tel. 1 (212) 824-6748).]

Briefing on "IAEA safeguards for States with limited nuclear material and activities" (organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA))

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Francine Lontok, IAEA New York Liaison Office (e-mail lontokf@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0971).]

Briefing on "The global financial crisis and strategies to avoid unsustainable debt" (organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Januel Nalupta, UNCTAD (e-mail nalupta@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9114).]

Women's International Forum: Meeting on "The Arab awakening: Promise and challenges" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Wednesday, 12 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.]

UNITAR workshop on effective negotiation in multilateral conferences

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 6 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street); and

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Malaysia (313 East 43rd Street).

[Open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail helene.gandois@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).]

Special presentation on "Challenges and opportunities for the sustainability of outer space" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and Space Security Index)

Thursday, 13 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roxane Milot, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail roxane.milot@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1124).]

UNITAR workshops series on the reform of the United Nations

United Nations Reform I: Institutional adaptation of United Nations governing bodies (Security Council, General Assembly, Human Rights Council)

Friday, 14 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

United Nations Reform II: Management reform

Friday, 21 October 2011, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[Open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please visit <www.unitar.org/ny>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail helene.gandois@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684).]

Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2011, on the theme "From poverty to sustainability: People at the centre of inclusive development" (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the International Movement ATD Fourth World and the NGO Subcommittee for the Eradication of Poverty, with the support of the Permanent Missions of France and Burkina Faso)

Monday, 17 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Simone Wilson, DESA (e-mail wilsons@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9113); or Ms. Leena Kemppainen (e-mail kemppainen@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4727); or click here to visit the Web site of the International Day.]

Panel discussion on "Women of African descent" (in observance of the International Year for People of African Descent 2011) (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

Wednesday, 19 October 2011, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Michelle Premsukh, OHCHR (e-mail premsukh@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5931); or click here to visit the Web site of the International Year.]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

Conference of the Parties
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
10–21 October 2011

The tenth session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Monday, 10, to Friday, 21 October 2011, in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea. The session will open on Monday, 10 October 2011, at 3 p.m.

At the opening of the session, in accordance with past practice, a limited number of speakers representing major groups of States, specialized agencies, intergovernmental

organizations, regional and interest groups, and non-governmental organizations, will have an opportunity to address the Conference.

The high-level segment will be held on Monday, 17, and Tuesday, 18 October. Special statements, on behalf of regional and interest groups, will be made on Monday, 17 October, in the morning. In the afternoon, there will be two round tables. Round table 1 will be on "Desertification/land degradation, drought and food security", and round table 2 will be on "The UNCCD in the context of the Rio+20 Summit".

On Tuesday, 18 October, in the morning, round table 3 will be held on "Harnessing science for combating desertification, land degradation and drought: The path to improvement". In the afternoon, there will be a presentation and an interactive discussion on "The Changwon Initiative".

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/COP(10)/1. Additional information on the session is available on the following Web sites: <www.unccd.int> and <http://english.unccdcop10.go.kr>.

Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
11–20 October 2011

The tenth session of the Committee for the Review of the Implementation of the Convention of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Tuesday, 11, to Thursday, 20 October 2011, in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea.

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/CRIC(10)/1. Additional information on the session is available at <www.unccd.int/cop/officialdocs/cric10/doclist.php>.

Conference of the Parties

Committee on Science and Technology
Tenth session
Republic of Korea
11–13 October 2011

The tenth session of the Committee on Science and Technology of the Conference of the Parties (COP 10) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from Tuesday, 11, to Thursday, 13 October 2011 in Changwon, Gyeongnam Province, Republic of Korea.

The annotated provisional agenda, proposed organization of work and documentation for the session are contained in document ICCD/COP(10)/CST/1. Additional information on the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unccd.int/cop/officialdocs/cop10/cstdoclist.php>.

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva
24–28 October 2011

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2011/253 of 27 July 2011, the seventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 24, to Friday, 28 October 2011, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/ffd/tax/seventhsession/>.

For further information, please contact the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail taxffdoffice@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, *from 10 a.m. to 12 noon*, on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Documentation of the General Assembly

In English:
Wednesday, 19 October 2011; and
Thursday, 10 November 2011.

Introduction to United Nations documentation

In English:
Thursday, 13 October 2011;
Wednesday, 26 October 2011;
Tuesday, 8 November 2011; and
Wednesday, 30 November 2011.

Introduction to RSS Feeds

In English:
Tuesday, 15 November 2011.

Official Document System (ODS)

In English:
Thursday, 17 November 2011.

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet)

In English:
Tuesday, 29 November 2011.

Credentials of the representatives to the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded, that in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation shall be submitted to the Secretary-General. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Copies of credentials may be faxed (1 (212) 963-6430) and originals hand-delivered to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee (Room 13051, 380 Madison Avenue). Should delegations have any questions, the Secretary's Office may be contacted (tel. 1 (917) 367-8296).

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Photos of Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers delivering statements in the plenary of the General Assembly are routinely taken and are available for download in high resolution from the Photo Unit Web site <www.unmultimedia.org/photo/>, and from the United Nations Photo Library, DPI (room IN-506A (300 East 42nd Street); tel. 1 (212) 963-6927 or 963-0034; fax 1 (212) 963-1658). Photos are free of charge but may not be used in advertising. Special requests for photo coverage may be addressed to Mr. Mark Garten, Chief Photo Unit (e-mail garten@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9652).

United Nations Regional Course in International Law (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (2012))

Applications for the 2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held at the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 February to 2 March 2012, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 14 October 2011*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in French. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Web site of the Regional Course <www.un.org/law/rcil/>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org).

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second of language-specific informational meetings for 2011 will be held in November, in Conference Room E (NLB), according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, 2 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Arabic*

Wednesday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*

Thursday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *English*

Thursday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. *French*

Friday, 4 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*

Friday, 4 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

Tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings

The tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary and related meetings may now be accessed on the Web site of the General Assembly at the following address: <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings>.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

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Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 6 October 2011

Security Council

6628th meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Abyei (S/2011/603)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of South Sudan and the Sudan, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Ladsous.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Sudan.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of South Sudan.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

First Committee

6th meeting

The Chair made a statement.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Azerbaijan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, India, Colombia, Libya, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Tajikistan, Qatar, Lesotho, Peru, South Africa, Thailand, Uganda, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Morocco.

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic, Armenia and Azerbaijan made statements in exercise of the right of reply.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

5th meeting

Agenda items 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60

Implementation of the declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [60]

Hearing of petitioners

Question of Western Sahara

On the basis of a decision taken at the 2nd meeting, the Committee heard statements by Mr. Stefano Vaccari, Modena Province Council; Mr. Anthony Jean, Association des amis de la République arabe du Sahara démocratique; Msgr. Jean Abboud; Mr. Ahmed Boukhari, Polisario Front; Mr. Stefan Simanowitz, All Party Parliamentary Group on Western Sahara; Mr. Jeffrey J. Smith, Western Sahara Resource Watch; Mr. Hassan Omar Hassan, Kenya National Commission on Human Rights; Mr. Bellali Noureddine, Association Al Massira Wa Al Mostaghbal; Mr. Ulysses S. Smith, Bar Association of the City of New York; and Mr. Jesús Loza Aguirre, Los Intergrupos Paz y Libertad para el Sáhara Occidental de los Parlamentos Autonómicos de España (A/C.4/66/7).

General debate

A statement was made by the Chair.

The Committee heard statements by the representatives of Guyana (on behalf of the Union South American Nations), Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Guatemala, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Mexico, Indonesia, Peru, Kenya, Nigeria, Mozambique, the Islamic Republic of Iran, India, Papua New Guinea, Uganda, Kyrgyzstan and Cuba.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom and Argentina.

Organization of work

It was announced that the Committee would conclude its general debate on decolonization items and take action on the draft proposals relating to decolonization on Monday, 10 October.

Third Committee

8th meeting

Crime prevention and criminal justice [107]

International drug control [108]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 107 and 108 and heard statements by the representatives of Myanmar, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Sierra Leone, the Sudan, Bangladesh, Maldives, Côte d'Ivoire, the United Arab Emirates, Indonesia and Costa Rica.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Organization for Migration.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda items 107 and 108.

Organizational matters

The Secretary made a statement.

The Chair made a statement.

Sixth Committee

7th–8th meetings

The summary of the 7th and 8th meetings of the Sixth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2011/195).

Economic and Social Council

Resumed substantive session of 2011

51st meeting

Election of the Bureau: Election of a Vice-President

The Council elected, by acclamation, H.E. Mr. Enrique Román-Morey (Peru), as Vice-President of the Council, to complete the unexpired term of H.E. Mr. Gonzalo Gutiérrez Reinel (Peru).

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

Elections:

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2014: China, Czech Republic, Japan, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zambia.

The Council decided to postpone the election of one member from States included in List C for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2014.

Elections postponed from previous sessions:

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

The Council elected Zimbabwe, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2015 and decided to further postpone the election of one member from African States for the same term of office.

Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

The Council elected Nigeria, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2014.

Commission on Sustainable Development

The Council elected Israel, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's twenty-first session in 2014.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Council elected Sweden, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2014.

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council nominated Guinea, Guinea Bissau and Italy for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2014.

The Council decided to further postpone the nomination of three members from Western European and other States for terms beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly and expiring on 31 December 2011; one member from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election by the General Assembly and expiring on 31 December 2013; and one member from Asian States and four members from Western European and other States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2014.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

The Council elected Tunisia, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Intergovernmental Working Group for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2014.

The Council decided to further postpone the election of three members from Latin American and Caribbean States and four members from Western European and other States for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2011; four members from Asian States and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2012; and thirteen members for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2014, as follows: one member from African States, two members from Asian States, one member from Latin American and Caribbean States and nine members from Western European and other States.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

The Council elected Italy, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Governing Council for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2015.

The Council decided to further postpone the elections of two members from Western European and other States for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2011; two members from Western European and other States for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2012; and two members from Eastern European States and two members from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2012 and expiring on 31 December 2015.

Issues deferred from the substantive session of the Council:

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/2011/22)

On the proposal of the President, the Council decided to further defer its consideration of the report of the Committee to a later date, but before the end of 2011.

Draft resolution entitled "Review of United Nations support for small island developing states" (E/2011/L.52)

On the proposal of the President, the Council decided to further defer action on the draft resolution entitled "Review of United Nations support for small island developing States" to a later date, but before the end of 2011.

Organization of work

The President made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies. New York, 21 November 1947

Accession: Mozambique (6 October 2011)[1]

Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Geneva, 22 September 1995

Ratification: Argentina (19 September 2011)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Kenya
H.E. Mr. Macharia Kamau

Asia-Pacific States:
Islamic Republic of Iran
H.E. Mr. Mohammad Khazaee

Eastern European States:
Russian Federation
H.E. Mr. Vitaly Churkin

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Costa Rica
H.E. Mr. Eduardo Ulibarri

Western European and other States:
Norway
H.E. Mr. Morten Wetland

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
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<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

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Office for Disarmament Affairs
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A/66/153 (Part II)	Items 94 and 101 — Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East — The risk of nuclear proliferation in the Middle East — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*
A/66/166/Add.1	Item 98 (e) — Towards an arms trade treaty: establishing common international standards for the import, export and transfer of conventional arms — The arms trade treaty — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

A/66/356 — Item 52 of the provisional agenda — Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories — Israeli practices affecting the human rights of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *18 pages*

A/66/375 — Item 152 — Financing of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo — Financing arrangements for the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo for the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

A/66/391 — Item 19 — Sustainable development — Letter dated 28 September 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

A/66/395 S/2011/611 — Item 37 — Question of Palestine — Note verbale dated 28 September 2011 from the Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

A/66/396 — Item 8 — General debate — Letter dated 26 September 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

A/66/399 — Item 143 — Administration of justice at the United Nations — Letter dated 23 September 2011 from the Presidents of the United Nations Appeals Tribunal and the United Nations Dispute Tribunal to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

A/66/492 — Item 138 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Third Committee

A/C.3/66/L.6 — Item 27 (b) — Social development: social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family — Brazil and Japan: draft resolution — Tenth anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

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A/C.3/66/L.8 — Item 27 (b) — Social development: social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family — Peru: draft resolution — Promoting social integration through social inclusion [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/66/L.5 — Item 60 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Algeria, Angola, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Cuba, Ecuador, Guyana, Jamaica, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, South Africa, Timor-Leste, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) and Zimbabwe: draft resolution — Question of Western Sahara [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

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S/2011/604	Letter dated 30 September 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Serbia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
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